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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

CHANG HEE LEE,

Petitioner - Appellant,

V.

ALBERTO R. GONZALES, Attorney General; et al.,

Respondents - Appellees.

No. 03-36026

D.C. No. CV-03-01194-MJP

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington Marsha J. Pechman, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted January 23, 2006**
Seattle, Washington

Before: RAWLINSON and CLIFTON, Circuit Judges, and MARSHALL***, Chief District Judge.

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This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

^{***} The Honorable Consuelo Bland Marshall, Chief United States District Judge for the Central District of California, sitting by designation.

- **1.** While Lee's appeal was pending, the REAL ID Act of 2005 went into effect. *See* Pub. L. No. 109-13, 119 Stat. 231. Consequently, we construe Lee's habeas petition as if it were a petition for review and only reach the merits of Lee's statutory interpretation and due process claims. *See Alvarez-Barajas v. Gonzales*, 418 F.3d 1050, 1053 (9th Cir. 2005).
- **2.** Lee's petition for review is denied insofar as it asserts that the Immigration Judge (IJ) labored under an erroneous legal standard, because the IJ considered all the relevant factors and balanced the equities in assessing Lee's eligibility for adjustment of status. *See Eide-Kahayon v. INS*, 86 F.3d 147, 150 (9th Cir. 1996) (per curiam), *see also Watkins v. INS*, 63 F.3d 844, 850 (9th Cir. 1995).
- **3.** We lack jurisdiction to review Lee's petition as it relates to his claim that he was denied a fair hearing in violation of due process, because Lee has failed to allege a colorable constitutional violation. *See Martinez-Rosas v. Gonzales*, 424 F.3d 926, 930 (9th Cir. 2005), *see also Sanchez-Cruz v. INS*, 255 F.3d 775, 779 (9th Cir. 2001).

PETITION FOR REVIEW DISMISSED in part, and **DENIED** in part.